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In re Application of

William Scott Caldwell et al

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:DECISION GRANTING PETITION

:UNDER 37 CFR 1.313(c)(3)

This is a decision on the petition, filed February 2, 2005, to withdraw the above-

identified application from issue after payment of the issue fee.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application is withdrawn from issue for express abandonment. See 37 CFR 1.313(c)(3). The above-identified application is expressly abandoned in favor of a continuing application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) stated to have been filed on February 1, 2005.

Telephone inquiries should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3218.

This abandoned file is being referred to Files Repository.

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